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SUBJECT: MISSING SOUTH KOREAN AIRLINER

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1. WE NOW HAVE CONFIRMATION FROM SOVIET MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS THAT SOUTH KOREAN PLANE IS DOWN IN USSR, REPORTEDLY NEAR PETROZAVODSK (I.E., SLIGHTLY NORTHEAST OF LAKE LADOGA).

2. FIRST DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER KORNIYENKO TOLD AMBASSADOR INFORMALLY THAT THE PLANE HAD PENETRATED THE SOVIET BORDER FOR A SUBSTANTIAL DISTANCE, NOT JUST TEN OR TWENTY MILES "BUT EVEN HUNDREDS." THE PLANE HAD BEEN CONFIDENTIAL

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SIGNALED TO LAND, ACCORDING TO KORNIYENKO, BUT TOOK "EVASIVE ACTION." THEREFORE, ITS LANDING HAD BEEN "ABNORMAL." THERE HAD BEEN "SOME DAMAGE" TO THE AIRCRAFT, BUT HE DID NOT KNOW THE EXTENT OR THE EXTENT OF ANY POSSIBLE INJURIES. KORNIYENKO SAID THAT THERE WERE "RUMORS" THAT THE CREW HAD BEEN "DRUNK."

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3. AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED OUR DEEP CONCERN BECAUSE OF OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT SOME AMERICANS MIGHT BE AMONG THE PASSENGERS OF THE AIRCRAFT.

4. ON SAME OCCASION FIRST DEPUTY MINISTER OF DEFENSE OGARKOV INFORMED AMBASSADOR THAT PLANE IS DOWN IN AREA OF PETROZAVODSK. HE SAID THAT SOVIET AUTHORITIES ARE LOOKING INTO THE MATTER. AS SOON AS THEY HAVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, HE INDICATED, IT WOULD BE PASSED TO US.
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